Congresswoman Melissa Bean is serving her third term as U.S. Representative to Illinois' Eighth Congressional District, which includes portions of Lake, McHenry and Cook Counties. The Congresswoman was sworn into office on January 4, 2005.

As Vice-Chair of the pro-growth, moderate <u>New Democrat Coalition</u>, and because of her background and connection to her community, Congresswoman Melissa Bean has emerged as a national voice for small business owners and suburban families and a leading advocate of Wall Street Reform.

She serves on the <u>House Financial Services Committee</u>, including the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises and the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit.

She also serves on the <u>House Committee on Small Business</u>, and serves on the Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Tax and the Subcommittee on Regulations and Healthcare.